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### REMARKS

Claim 7 has been amended. Claims 7-9, 14, and 16 are currently under examination. All other pending claims are withdrawn. Reconsideration and reexamination of the application, as amended, are requested.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition of allowance. Reconsideration and reexamination is requested. Allowance of claims 7-9, 14 and 16 at an early date is solicited. Any questions regarding this communication can be directed to the undersigned attorney, Curtis B. Hamre, Reg. No. 29,165 at (612) 455-3802.



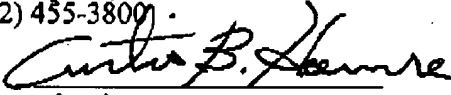
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